

**REQUEST  
FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
TRANSMITTAL**

MAIL STOP RCE  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,  
provides for continued examination of an utility or  
plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995

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| Application Number   | 09/313,184    |
| Confirmation Number  | 3561          |
| Filing Date          | May 18, 1999  |
| First Named Inventor | Kaname MIWA   |
| Group Art Unit       | 1743          |
| Examiner Name        | Ta Hsung Tung |
| Matter Number        | Q54404        |

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| Title | SENSOR ELEMENT AND GAS SENSOR |
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

**1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Please enter and consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Petition for Extension of Time
- v. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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**2. MISCELLANEOUS**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a  
period of \_\_\_\_\_ months
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**3. FEES**

Checks for the RCE statutory fee of \$750.00, extension of time for four months (\$1450.00) and excess claim  
fee (\$84.00) are attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee  
and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit  
Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

**CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS**

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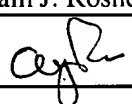
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**SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY**

Name Abraham J. Rosner Registration No. 33,276

Signature  Date August 21, 2003